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Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB:—"May I know whether the Government will appoint probationary District Registrars direct, instead of promoting persons from the selection grade?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"There is no question of direct recruitment to the Registrar's grade."

Appointment of upper grade sub-registrars.

* 1724 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that proposals to fill up the several vacancies in the upper grade of sub-registrars were submitted to Government a year ago;

(b) whether the Government have passed orders on the above proposals;

(c) whether the above proposals included the question of promoting a number of Muhammadans and Christians to the upper grade so as to make them eligible for promotion to the selection grade; and

(d) how many vacancies there are in the upper and selection grades respectively?

A.—(a) to (c) The proposals are under consideration and orders will be issued shortly.

(d) Selection grade 4.
Upper grade 24.

Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB:—"May I know for how long these vacancies have not been filled up?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"I think they have been vacant for about one year in the case of upper grade and two months as regards selection grade."

Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB:—"Have the Government received proposals from the Inspector-General of Registration?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Yes and they are being examined."

Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB:—"May I ask whether the proposals of the Inspector-General were turned down many a time?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"And fresh proposals have been received."

Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB:—"May I enquire whether there were proposals to give chances to Muhammadan officers?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Even now, they may have those chances."

Co-operative Societies

Representation of West Coast people in the Co-operative department.

* 1725 Q.—Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number of West Coast people employed in the Co-operative department; and

(b) the number of Mappillas out of this number?

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A.—(a) Seventy-six.

(b) Nil.

Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur:—"May I know whether the hon. Minister will call for information whether any qualified Mappillas applied?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"For what period?"

Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur:—"For the last five years."

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"I shall consider the suggestion."

Fisheries

Representation of Muslims in the Fisheries department.

* 1726 Q.—Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons belonging to the fishermen community employed in the Fisheries department;

(b) the number of Muslims belonging to the fishermen profession in the West Coast; and

(c) the number of Muslims employed in the Fisheries department especially on the West Coast?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) Information is not available with Government.

Khan Bahadur MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur:—"May I know whether the Government will call for the information?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"The information was not called for as the question was received by the Government only on the 24th instant."

Working of fish-curing yards as commercial concerns.

* 1727 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether the fish-curing yards are run as commercial concerns;

(b) whether supervision charges, leave and pensionary contributions are added to the cost of running fish-curing yards in arriving at the net cost of running these yards; and

(c) whether there are concerns other than commercial undertakings of Government where this system of arriving at net cost is followed?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

Proposed appointment of an Assistant Marine Biologist.

* 1728 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is a proposal before Government to appoint an Assistant Marine Biologist in the Fisheries department;